

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Norfolk Division**

COURTHOUSE NEWS SERVICE,)
Plaintiff,)
v.) Case No. 2:18-cv-391-HCM
GEORGE E. SCHAEFER, in his official)
capacity as Clerk of the Circuit Court for)
Norfolk, Virginia, *et al.*,)
Defendants.)

**DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS PURSUANT
TO FED. R. CIV. P. 12(b)(3), 12(b)(7), and 21**

Defendants, George E. Schaefer, in his official capacity as Clerk of the Circuit Court for Norfolk, Virginia (the “Norfolk Clerk”), and Jacqueline C. Smith, in her official capacity as Clerk of the Circuit Court for Prince William County, Virginia (the “Prince William Clerk”) (collectively, the “Defendants”), by counsel, respectfully move to dismiss the Complaint filed in this matter pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b)(1), 12(b)(3) (as to the Prince William Clerk only), 12(b)(6), 12(b)(7), and 21. The grounds for this motion are set forth in the memorandum in support filed simultaneously herewith.

Date: August 23, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE E. SHAEFER, in his official capacity as
Clerk of the Circuit Court for Norfolk, Virginia

and

JACQUELINE C. SMITH, in her official capacity
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